

CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION



SUMMARY OF PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Consultation and coordination among the government agencies, organizations, and the public were an important part of the planning process for the *Draft General Management Plan / Environmental Impact Statement* for Crater Lake National Park. The public had two primary avenues by which it participated during the development of the plan: participation in public meetings and response to newsletters.

PUBLIC MEETINGS AND NEWSLETTERS

Public meetings and newsletters were used to keep the public informed and involved in the planning process for Crater Lake National Park. A mailing list was compiled that consisted of members of government agencies, nongovernmental groups, businesses, legislators, local governments, and interested citizens.

The notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement was published in the *Federal Register* on May 25, 2001. A newsletter issued January 2001 described the planning effort. Public meetings were held during April 2001 in Klamath Falls, Medford, Roseburg, and Salem and were attended by 96 people. A total of 72 written comments were received in response to that newsletter. A second newsletter issued in July 2001 summarized the comments received in the meetings and in response to newsletter 1. These comments were used to complete the park purpose and significance statements that serve as the foundation for the rest of the planning. Comments on various issues facing the park were referred to during development of the general management plan.

A third newsletter distributed in the spring of 2002 described the draft alternative concepts and management zoning for managing the park. A total of 95 comments were received in response to that alternatives' newsletter. In general opinions were fairly divided in support of individual alternatives and how to address the issues. A number of letters favored continued snowmobile use while other people favored elimination of snowmobiles in the park. Opinions were divided on managing traffic on Rim Drive

- maintaining current two-way traffic, converting part of the road to one-way traffic, or closure of the road to traffic.

Most respondents favored use of shuttles. A number of people who opposed partnering with private industry were concerned with large-scale commercialization within the park.

CONSULTATION WITH THE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE AND THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Agencies that have direct or indirect jurisdiction over historic properties are required by section 106 of the National historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 USC 470, et seq.) to take into account the effect of any undertaking on properties eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. To meet the requirements of 36 CFR 800, the National Park Service sent letters to the Oregon historic preservation office and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation on November 17, 2000, inviting their participation in the planning process. Both offices were sent all the newsletters with a request for comments.

CONSULTATION WITH NATIVE AMERICANS

Letters were sent in November 2000 to the Cow Creek Band of the Umpqua Indian Tribe and the Klamath Tribes to invite their participation in the planning process. The tribes were informed on the scope of the planning project and the preliminary alternatives by newsletter. The first official government-to-government consultation with the Klamath Tribes in relation to park projects took place in November 2001 and can be credited largely to a meeting with members of the tribal council in August. Both meetings set some parameters for consulting with tribal staff while a cooperative agreement on conducting on-going consultation is being negotiated. The tribes would also have an opportunity to review and comment on this draft plan.

CONSULTATION WITH THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

A list of federally threatened, endangered, and proposed species that may be present, or in the vicinity of Crater Lake National Park dated June 28, 2002, was received from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and is included in appendix B. A meeting between the Park Service and the USFWS Klamath Falls Field Office to discuss consultation responsibilities for the general management plan and other park projects was held in May 2003. Additional discussions with the USFWS concerning affects on federally listed species also occurred as part of the preparation of the draft plan and environmental impact statement.

The National Park Service has determined the preferred alternative may affect, but would not be likely to adversely the Lost River sucker, shortnose sucker, or Canada lynx and may have some adverse affect on

the following federally threatened species: bald eagle, northern spotted owl, and bull trout. The National Park Service will initiate formal consultation with the USFWS regarding the effects on bald eagle, northern spotted owl, Canada lynx, and bull trout. The USFWS will receive a copy of the public draft of this plan for their review and to serve as a biological assessment for consultation. Comments from USFWS will be addressed and the results of the consultation included in the final environmental impact statement.

AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS TO WHOM THIS DOCUMENT WAS SENT

Federal Agencies

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
Forest Service

Winema National Forest
Rogue River National Forest
Umpqua National Forest
USFS Toketee Ranger Station
Chiloquin Ranger District

Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
National Park Service
Office of Public Affairs
Oregon Caves National Monument
Water Rights Branch
EPA, Region 10

American Indian Tribes

The Klamath Tribe
Klamath Tribe Attorney
Klamath Tribe Planning Department
Cow Creek Band of the Umpqua Tribe

U.S. Senators and Representatives

Senator Ron Wyden
Senator Gorden Smith
Congressman David Wu, 1st District
Congressman Greg Walden, 2nd District

Congressman Earl Blumenauer, 3rd
District
Congressman Peter DeFazio, 4th District
Congressman Darlene Hooley, 5th
District

State Government

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
Oregon Department of Transportation
Oregon Historical Preservation Office
Oregon Natural Resources Council
Jason Atkinson, Oregon Senate
Lenn Hannon, Oregon Senate
Steve Harper, Oregon House of
Representatives
Tim Knopp, Oregon House of
Representatives
Oregon State Parks

Local Governments

City of Chiloquin
City of Klamath Falls
Planning Director
City of Medford
Planning Director
City of Roseburg
Deschutes County Library
Douglas County Library
Eugene Library
Jackson County Commissioners
Jackson County Planning Director
Josephine County Library
Klamath County Commissioners
Klamath County Planning Director
Klamath County Library
Klamath County Museum
Multnomah County Library
Prospect Schools
Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce
Salem Library

Organizations / Businesses

Alla Mage Ski Club
Audubon Magazine

Backcountry Horsemen
Bay Area Economics
Blue Ribbon Coalition
Broken Arrowhead Ranch
CC Riders Snowmobile Club
Century West
Chiloquin Ridge Riders
Coalition of Equestrians Club
College of Oceanography
Crater Lake Lodge, Inc.
Dain Bosworth, Inc.
David Evans and Associates
Delaware North Companies
Denali National Park Concessions Office
Diamond Lake Homeowners
District Ranger, Klamath Ranger District
Ecology of Environment, Inc.
Edelweiss Ski Club
Estramade Ranch
Fletcher Farr Ayotte
Friends of Crater Lake National Park
GM, Paradise Inn, National Park Inn
Goold's Sprague River Ranch, Inc.
Grants Pass Nordic Ski Club
Grants Pass Resource Area
Institute for Policy Research,
Northwestern U.
J & E Ranch
Jack Owens Ranches
KAGO
KDRV, Channel 12
Klamath Basin Snowdrifters
Klamath Bow Hunters
Klamath Co Economic Development Assn.
Klamath County Economic Development.
Association
Klamath Motor Sports
Knipe and Knipe, Inc.
KOIN - TV
KOMO TV
KOTI TV
KPIC, Channel 4
KS Wild
KTVL, Channel 10
Lake Quinault Lodge
Landau Associates, Inc.
League of Women Voters

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LMJ Cattle Company
Mail Tribune
Medford District Office
Medford Mail Tribune
Medford Visitors Convention Bureau
Meyer and Glitzenstein
Mt. Hood Snowmobile Club
Murase Associates
National Parks Conservation Association
Nature Conservancy
News Review
Nordic Club
Northwester Tours
Oregon Historical Society
Oregon Hunter's Association
Oregon Nordic Club
Oregon Parks Foundation, Inc.
Oregon Snowmobile Association
Oregon State University, College of Forestry

Oregon Tourism Commission
OSSA
Ottaway News Service
Robert Peccia & Associates
Rogue Snowmobile Club
Rogue Snowmobiling
S.W. Jeffries and Company
Sierra Club
Siskiyou Audubon Society
Siskiyou Reg. Ed. Proj.

Individuals

There are more than 700 individuals to whom copies of this EIS were sent. A complete listing of these names is available from the Superintendent, Crater Lake National Park, Hwy. 62, Crater Lake, OR 97604.